(c) The steps being taken to realise the outstanding amount include periodical reminders, personal contacts, periodical review both at unit and corporate level, seeking assistance from the Administrative Ministry and resorting to legal action wherever considered necessary.

(d) and (e) Out of outstanding of Rs. 49.70 lacs, an amount of Rs. 0.41 lac has been recovered from individual politician.

Upgradation of Telecommunication System in Himachal Pradesh

*337. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated/utilised for development, expansion and upgradation of telecommunication system in rural/urban areas of Himachal Pradesh during the last three years, year-wise and district-wise;

(b) whether Government would consider allotment of of more STD lines to the Exchanges where one line has been in operation in the State;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by when these Telephone Exchanges will be provided with more STD lines?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (d) The funds allocated/utilised for development, expansion and upgradation of telecommunications system in rural/urban areas of Himachal Pradesh during the last three years, year-wise and Secondary Switching Area-wise are given in the Statement I and II *(See* below).

There are 12 exchanges i.e. Bharanoo, Chambi in Shimla District, Giankot, Neripul, Drabla and Ronhat in Sirmour Distrtict, Mangal in Solan District, Bhakhare, Majeri, Talyana and Zakatkhana in Bilaspur District and Thaltukhod in Mandi District in Himachal Pradesh which have single circuit/line and for the convenience of public, STD facility has presently been extended under Group Dialling Scheme. These exchanges are planned to be provided more

number of lines by December, 2000 subject to timely availability of resources.

Statement-I

Funds Allotted to Himachal Pradesh Circle

(Amt. in crores of Rs.)

Area	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
General	121.00	67.45	53.76
Area Rural	30.00	42.48	60.93
Area Tribal	4.00	4.85	5.29

Utilisation of Funds by Himachal Pradesh Circle

Area	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
General	104.47	72.59	49.87
Area Rural	26.00	48.00	66.00
Area Tribal Area	2.00	1.00	4.00

Statement-II

Secondary Switching Areawise Details of Funds Allotted/Funds Utilised by Himachal Pradesh Circle

		Funds Allotted 1996-97				Funds Utilised 1996-97			
SI. No.	Name of Telecom Distt. (SSA)	GA	TA	RA	Total	GA	TA	RA	Total
1.	GMTD SHIMLA GMTD	20.45	1.41	6.20	28.06	20.55	1.45	0.57	4.68 25.80
2.	DHARAMSALA	24.40	10.80	36.65	25.37		0.76	5.33	31.46
3.	TDM MANDI TDM	22.17	1.14	11.41	34.72	21.89	0.00	0.67	5.89 28.45
4.	HAMIRPUR	37.33	0.00	37.33	26.39	0.00	1.59	0.00	6.15 32.54
5.	TIM SOLAN	16.65	18.24	10.27				0.00	3.95 14.22
	Total	121.00	4.00	30.00	155.00	104.47		2.00	26.00 132.47

SI. No	Name of Telecom Distt. (SSA)	Funds Allotted 1997-98 GA	TA	RA	Total	Funds Utilised 1997-98 GA	TA	RA	Total
1.	GMTD SHIMLA	20.80	2.99	8.72	32.51	19.9	0.46		11.57
2.	GMTD	10.56	0.53	6.98	18.65	13.5	0.23		10.46
3.	TDM MANDI	12.21	1.33	8.72	22.26	12.0	0.31		9.51
4.	TDM HAMIRPUR	12.91	0.00	10.16		11.4	0.00		12.03
5.	TDM SOLAN	10.97	0.00	7.90	18.87	15.6	0.00		4.43
	Total	67.45	4.85	42.48	144.78	72.59	1.00	48.00	121.59

SI. No.	Name of Telecom Distt. (SSA)	Funds Allotted 1997-98 GA	TA	RA	Total	Funds Utilised 1997-98 GA	TA	RA	Total
		12.86	3.07	12.91	28.84	21.64	0.72	3.68	26.04
1.	GMTD SHIMLA	A 10.05	2.06	9.90		22.01	6.28	1.76	19.03
2.	GMTD DHARAMSAL								27.07
3.	TDM MANDI TDM	9.12	0.16	12.31	21.59	4.32	1.11	10.34	15.77
4.	HAMIRPUR TDM	10.84	0.00	10.13	20.97	4.31	0.00	22.21	26.52
5.	SOLAN TDM KULLU	9.66	0.00	10.72	20.38	12.22	0.00	8.64	20.86
6.	Total	1.23	0.00	4.96	6.19	1.10	0.41	2.10	3.61
		53.76	5.29	60.93	119.98	49.87	4.00	66.00	119.87

GA—General Area/TA-Tribal Area/RA-Rural Area

Expansion of the Fleet of Alliance AIR

†*338. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of aircrafts of Alliance Air alongwith their types and year of their making;

(b) the names of the areas alongwith the number of the flights for which Alliance Air has been permitted to operate; and

†Original notice of the question received in Hindi.